(d) the final decision taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) and (b) Under the liberalised industrial policy regime, setting up of industries including agro based, forest based and mineral based industries depends upon the commercial perception of the entrepreneurs which in turn, depends on the initiatives taken by the State Government/Union Territories in terms of availability of conducive economic infrastructure, Central Government supplements their efforts through Central Schemes and incentives.

(c) and (d) No such proposal from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh has been received.

India's share in World Trade

4435. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India's share in World Trade is around 0.6 per cent;

(b) whether it is much below the desired level; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to take our share in World Trade to the required level ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Continuous efforts are being made by the Government of india to increase our share in the world trade. Measures to increase our share in the world trade include multilateral and bilateral initiatives and identification of thrust sectors and focus regions as well as simplification of procedures. India's external trade sector has been further liberalised with the changes introduced in the Exim Policy for 1997-2002. The amendments to the Exim Policy for the current year focus on improvement of export competitiveness and minimising the transaction costs and delays, which would further enhance India's exports.

Abolition of Department of Supply

4436. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to abolish the Department of Supply and place the DGS & D under some other existing Department ;

(b) whether Government have proposed to place the employees of DGS & D at the disposal of different Departments and Ministries ;